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FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

John R. Woodworth, Director

FEDERAL AID IN WILDLIFE RESTORATION

FINAL SEGMENT REPORT

STAR LAKE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Project W 73-D-11

Period: March 1, 1962 to February 28, 1963

Ву

H. E. Cherry, Project Leader

Hagerman, Idaho May 29, 1963

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DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATIONS

As required by

FEDERAL AID IN FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION ACTS

A. Name of Project: STAR LAKE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

B. Project Leader: H. E. Cherry

C. Type of Work:

General

After June 1, this area was supervised by H. E. Cherry, refuge manager of the Hagerman Wildlife Management Area. Crops were planted, irrigated, and cultivated as necessary to produce food and cover for wildlife use. Fences were patrolled regularly and repaired to prevent livestock trespass.

An irrigator was employed for the months of June, July, and August. He helped with the trespass and patrol work on the area. The Conservation officers in that area also helped with the patrol work.

1. Buildings

b. Maintenance: The residence was occupied by Deral Haycock until June 1, then the buildings were vacant until the wildlife management area was sold. The rental charges were \$20.00 per month (March through May).

Fire insurance on the headquarters residence was renewed.

2. Dams, Dikes, and Levees

b. Maintenance: The earthen water control dikes between the first and second impoundments and the second and third impoundments were maintained and repaired. Muskrats and other rodents have been burrowing and digging in these dikes since their construction and this maintenance must be provided each year.

3. Canals and Channels

b. Maintenance: Primary and secondary ditches, approximately three miles, associated with the property were cleaned with a V-type ditcher and/or by hand.

Wind-borne weeds were removed from the Star Lake inlet canal.

5. Roads

b. Maintenance: The access road to Star Lake Wildlife Management Area was maintained by the Dietrich Highway District.

7. Fences

b. Maintenance: All fences around the management area and lakes were patrolled regularly and maintained as a barrier to domestic livestock. Approximately seven miles of fences were repaired.

The weed fence along the lower end of Star Lake inlet canal was maintained in an effort to keep wind-borne weeds out of the canal.

The three existing cattleguards were maintained as an effective barrier to domestic livestock.

11. Signs and Boundary Markers

a. Development: Boundary signs were maintained on all perimeter fences around the management area and lakes.

12. Planting Trees, Shrubs or Aquatic Plants

a. Development: Existing tree and shrub plantings were cultivated and irrigated through the month of August.

13. Herbaceous Seedings

a. Development: Five acres of spring wheat and 14 acres of volunteer wheat were grown. These crops were left in the fields for wildlife use.

Fifty acres were planted to mixed grasses.

15. Noxious Vegetation Control

a. Development: Approximately 30 acres of weeds, in the grass-lands, were moved to prevent cocklebur from reseeding.

Approximately 20 acres of noxious weeds were sprayed by the Lincoln County Weed Control crew at no cost to the project.

19. Wildlife Use on the Management Area

Since it was known that the project lands were to be sold, and since no permanent department personnel were stationed on the area, records of waterfowl and upland game bird use were not kept.

20. Miscellaneous Activities

A steel granary was dismantled and transported to the Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area by Fish and Game Department personnel.

Conclusion

Star Lake Wildlife Management Area fell under the auctioneer's hammer at Shoshone, Idaho, February 15, 1963. It was purchased for \$40,000. This is the final report for the area.

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